# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION FREEDOM OF INFORMATION/PRIVACY ACTS SECTION COVER SHEET

**SUBJECT: EDDIE CANTOR** 

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### Dr. Cantor examines Uncle Sam

(Eddie Cantor's radio sketch for which Chase & Sanborn have had the greatest number of requests.)

EDDIE CANTOR, D.D. (Depression Doctor) was sitting in his office on the Chase and Sanborn Hour one Sunday night, when a knock was heard outside the door and a weak voice asked, "Where's a doc?"

"Right here, my friend," said Eddie. "Sit down in that chair, open up your collar and say 'aaah'."

"Me no can say."

"Well why can't you say 'aaah'?"

"Sorry, doc, me no speaka English.

"Well then, say 'aaah' in your own language."

"Good. Now say 'booh' in your language."
"Aaah."

"That's it. Let's have a look. Your tonsils are very low. You should wear arch supports."

"You think I'm gonna live, doc?"

"Well, your chances are 9 to 1," replied Eddie. And sure enough it was right on the doctor's card. Dr. Cantor—9 to 1.

"There is another patient cutside," said Jinmy Wallington, who had been watching the proceedings with interest.

"Come in my good man," said Dr. Cantor.

In strode a tall benevolent man, with red striped trousers, white chin whiskers and a high blue hat with white stars. "Don't you know me?" he said. "I'm Uncle Sam."

Eddie looked at him a moment and shook his head. "Yes, you are my Uncle Sam all right, but you have changed. You look very thin. Have you done any eating lately . . . you know, food?"

Uncle Sam sadly shook his head. "You see, Eddie, I have a lot of nephews and nieces out of work..."

"I understand," said Eddie, "you don't like to sponge on them. I'm going to ask you a few questions, Uncle Sam. When were you born?"

"On July 4, 1776."

"That makes you a hundred and fifty-five years old. Why, you're just a kid, Uncle. You are suffering from growing pains, that's all."

"Maybe," said Uncle Sam weakly, "but I feel terrible."

"Don't be foolish, Uncle Sam, I have been sicker than you myself." Eddie was rapidly unbuttoning his coat and vest. "Look Uncle, did I ever show you my operation? Oooh, was I sick. And look at me now. Don't worry, you will feel better soon. You have had these attacks before. Remember—1907... 1893?"

"Yes, but this is the worst one yet."

"No, no, no," said Eddie. "That's what you say every time. Why, compared to that internal trouble you had in 1865 which nearly upset your whole system, you haven't even got a bad cold now. Your blood pressure is a little too low and your temperature is below normal but everything will go up soon; the worst is over, Uncle Sam."

The kindly old man shook his head. "That may be," he moaned, "but I never felt worse."

Eddie smiled and patted him on the back. "Let me tell you something, Uncle Sam. The time you were really sick was late in 1928 and during '29. That's when you thought you were feeling fine but you were really running a high fever. You were suffering from enlargement of the spendiorum, speculationitis, and inflationary rheumatism. And you didn't even know it. It looks to me, Uncle Samas if you spent 1929 under the influence of intoxitating ideas. You got a drink of that Wall Street cocktail ... you went up like a rocket and came down like a stick."

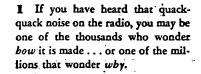
"Wall Street cocktail?"

"Sure—one drink and you get a seat on the curb with your feet in the gutter. That's what was wrong with you in 1929. But you didn't get a headache until 1931."

"How do you explain that, Eddie?",>

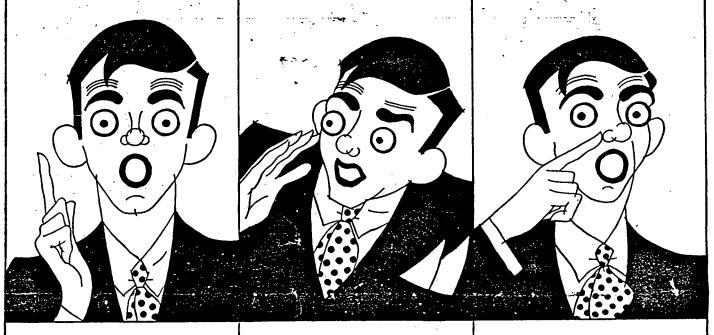
"That's simple. In 1929 you went on a spree, in 1930 you had to be put to bed and 1931 was the morning after the year before. But now, do what I tell you. Keep cheerful. Get out of the shadows and into the sunshine. Face the sun and the shadows will fall behind you. If you think you are in the soup, get acquainted with the people who would thank God if they could get a bowl of soup into-them. You've got plenty of assets, Uncle Sam. You've got a country with 350 billion dollars . . . you've got mountains full of gold and silver and any time you need a little pocket money, just go over and break off a piece of mountain. You've got the biggest factory in the world for building happy homes . . . Niagara Falls. But the place I want you to visit especially is the Grand Canyon . . . the biggest, deepest, widest place to drop all your troubles and start off fresh for 1932."

# HOW TO MAKE QUACK-Q



2 This making quackee is like making whoopee. It's an old American custom. Even when it was new it was an old American custom.

3 To make quack-quack successfully, you use every part of the body, except the nose. The size or shape of the nose positively does not matter. George Jessel can make quackee just as well as Cantor.



7 Expel the air abruptly from the mouth. One man says let it come out like the geyser in Yellowstone Park. Of course the geyser really isn't in Yellowstone Park...he's chopping wood in Holland!

8 On the first quack, you may not have the right pitch or volume. If at first you don't succeed keep practising until you make a perfect goose of yourself.

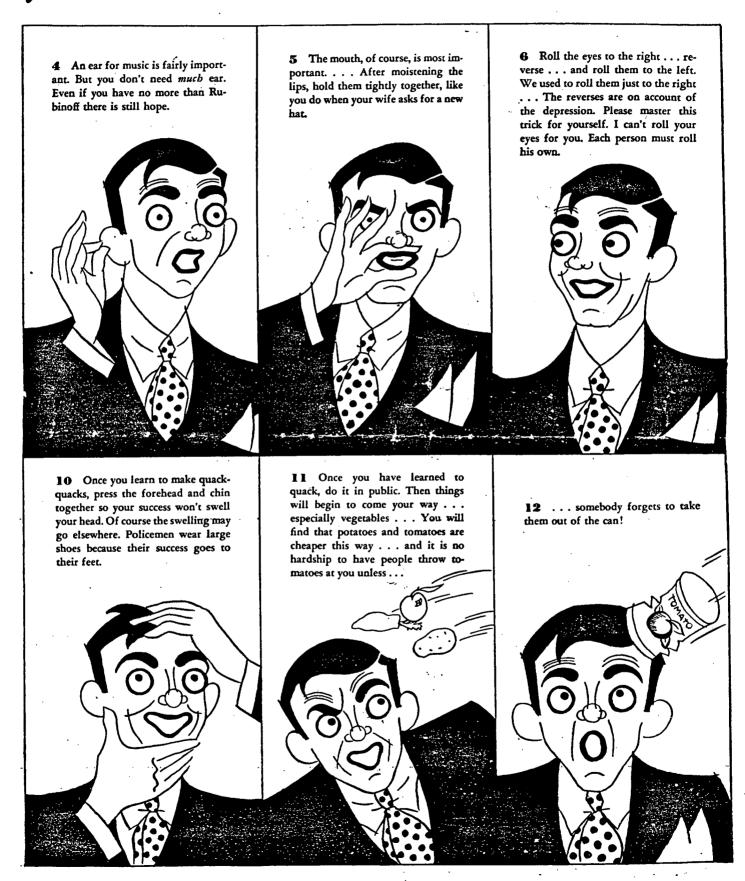
9 If you are still unsuccessful, catch a goose and observe how quack-quack is made. Wives can learn other lessons from the goose, which is considered foolish because it thinks about its fine feathers and forgets the big bill.







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February 1, 1935.

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#### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TANK

Buring a telephonic conversation,
mentioned that Mr. McIntyre of the White House had
sent over to the Department a telegram which he had
received from Eddie Cantor asking for various
information on the subject of Crime" in order to
prepare for a ranko broadcast in this connection.

telegram to me with the idea that I might be able to furnish some information in regard to the Division. I stated that I would be glad to do this.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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Pebruary 4. 1935.

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Mr. Eddie Centor, Columbia Broadcasting Company, 485 Madison ivenue, New York, New York

Dear Mr. Centers

Mr. Marvin McIntyre, Assistant Secretary to the President, has requested that I furnish you the information requested in your telegram of January 31.

I regret that I have very little information along the lines in which you are interested, that is, the number of police officers killed yearly in performance of duty, average salary of a policement and other such statistics. The following information was given in an article published in the September, 1933, issue of "Police 13-13", the publication of the Chicago Police Department. It quoted as its source of information, a recent number of the "Monthly Labor Review", issued by the United States Department of Labor. The lowest salary paid by a Metropolitan Police Department is the \$340 per year paid the senior patrolsan in Mobile, Alabama. The highest schedule is found in New York City and Los Angeles, California where a senior patrolsan receives \$3,000 per year. A Mobile detective receives \$900 a year, while a New York detective receives \$4,000. Other cities are quoted as follows:

	Senior Patrolman	Detective	Police Sergeant
Chicago, Illinois	\$1,967	ege to the see and	\$2,282
Detroit, Michigan	1,928	\$1,928	2,073
Kansas City, Missouri	1,800	2,100	2,100
Hewark, New Jersey	2,500		3,000
Portland, Maine	1,643	and a second contract of	1,823
Savenneh, Georgia	1,458	1,654	1,656
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The above information is, of course, based entirely upon the figures quoted by "Police 13-13", is 1933.

> I have just received a copy of the Year Book of the Screnton, Pennsylvania Police Department, and find it gives police officers' salaries for that city as \$3,000 for the Superintendent. who is the highest paid man in the Department, and \$2,160 for patrolsen. These salaries are subject to a 10% economy reduction.

The 1935 World Almanas quotes the following salaries for the New York Police Department, as of October 24, 1934, but states actually smaller salaries are being paid during the economy regimes captains \$5,000, lieutenants \$4,000, sergeants \$3,500, patrolsen \$2,000 to \$3,000, policewomen and patrolwomen \$2,000 to \$3,000.

I regret that I do not have any reports or estimates giving the number of officers killed in the line of duty.

As of possible interest to you, I am inclosing a copy of the address given by the Attorney General, and the address which I gave during the Attorney General's Conference on Crime, held in Washington during December, 1934. I am also inclosing the following publications of this Division which deal, of course, only with its law enforcement and identification activities:

> Viniform Crime Reports - Third Quarterly Bulletin, 1934 The War on Crime

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John Edgar Hoover, Director.

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2 copies c-1 Mr. Marvin McIntyre

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Hon- Marvin MeIntyre. Assistant Secretary to the President, The White House, Fashington, D. C.

Dear Mr. McIntyres

Your memorandum of January 31 with which you attached a copy of a telegram received from Hr. Eddie Cantor, requesting information regarding police, was directed to me.

I have today sent to Mr. Cantor such information as I have available along with various publications dealing with the work of this Division.

A copy of my letter to Mr. Cantor is inclosed.

with my best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Inclosure.

Mr. Cless.... Mr. Baughman ...

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HENRY SUYDAM SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTEMEN GENERAL

# Department of Justice Washington

February 1, 1935.

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Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Candy

Mr. Nathan

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF INVESTIGATION.

Attached is the memorandum of Mr. McIntyre. If we can furnish Mr. Cantor with proper information he ought to be able to do an effective broadcast. I suggest sending him copies of any of your speeches that you think would be helpful in such a broadcast. together with the pamphlets describing the work and functions of the Division of Investigation and any other material that you think would be appropriate.

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Henry Suydam, Special Assistant to the Attorney General.

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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

January 31, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Department of Justice.

What may I advise Mr. Cantor?

H. H. MCINTYRE.

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# THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON.

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Washington, D. C., January 31, 1935.

Marvin McIntyre.

It was nice seeing you again and meeting your charming daughter. Am anxious to do a broadcast on Crime Asking America to cooperate with the Police. Can you send me information as to how many policemen are killed each year during performance of their duty, average salary of policeman, etc. I would appreciate it greatly. Kindest regards,

Eddie Cantor.

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#### FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TO: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

June 11, 1938.

Transmit the following message to:

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EDDIE CANTOR

BEVERLY HILLS; CALLYORNIA.

I HAVE READ YOUR WIRE TO MESTER HOOVER WHO IS IN FLORIDA STOP HE ASES ME TO SAY TO YOU THAT HE DEEPLY APPRECIATES YOUR FINE MESSAGE AND SINGERELY REGRETS HIS INABILITY TO APPEAR UPON THE PROGRAM BECAUSE OF THE UNCERTAINTY OF COMMITMENTS AND PLANS IN COMNECTION WITH FORTHCOMING TRIAL OF THE KIINAPER OF THE CASH BOY STOP HE REQUESTS THAT I GIVE YOU HIS VERY BEST REMARDS AND ALL GOOD WISHES STOP

HELEN CANDY

Secretary to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover.

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CONGRATULATIONS IT GOES WITHOUT SAYING THAT ANY MESSAGE FROM YOU ON CRIME IS TAKEN SERIOUSLY BY ALL AMERICA. CAN YOU AND WILL YOU APPEAR ON MY RADIO PROGRAM FROM LOSANGELES ON JUNE TWENTIETH DAY AFTER FATHERS DAY AND DELIVER A SHORT MESSAGE REGARDING A CLOSER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FATHERS AND SONS AS ONE MEANS OF CRIME PREVENTION. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO MAKE A SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THE FUND FOR G MENS WIDOWS. PLEASE WIRE

ME IMMEDIATELY KINDEST REGARDS EDDIE CANTOR BEVERLYHILLS CALIF.

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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA April 4, 1939

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

Veshington, D. C.

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Dear Sire

Wational Broadcasting Company of Hollywood, California, he being a director and producer of shows, he advised me that JACK BENNY, radio comedian, who, according to today's press, pled guilty to sunggling charges in New York City, has been years married as to the outcome of the trial.

is intimately acquainted with him.

Bassi and his sponsors were very much afraid that he would receive a penitentiary sentence in connection with this case.

He advised me confidentially that EDDIE CANTOR, who has recently made a number of public remarks relative to his dislike for HITLER and things German in general, has had difficulty with his sponsors, the American Tobacco Company, and the sponsor actually endeavored to cancel his contract after a recent episode in Hollywood. They were not legally able to break this contract and the comedian has eight or nine weeks before it expires.

After the conclusion of a recent broadcast in Hollywood, CANTOR made some remarks about HITLER and an individual in the rear of the studio arose and left and was followed by two persons, who are reported to have attacked him after engaging in a verbal dispute outside the studio. There was some talk of filing charges against the attackers, one of whom was said to have been an individual on the program with CANTOR. Apparently the incident, as well as CANTOR'S remarks, were very disgusting to the broadcasting company officials and he is becoming increasingly unpopular in radio circles.

Very truly yours, 62-26544

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R. B. HOOD, Special Agent in Charge

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Kr. Eddie Cantor c/o Columbia Broadcasting System 405 Kadison Avenue New York, New York

Dear Mr. Cantors

I listened to the citizens program which was held at Skelly's Stadium at the University of Tulea with a great deal of interest and I was particularly impressed with your remarks regarding citizenship. I think that those of us who are privileged to speak from time to time should never let an opportunity pass without discussing the obligations of citizenship and the absolute necessity of doing everything we can to perpetuate The American principles of Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness.

I appreciated very much indeed the kind references to the statement which I recently made in an address and, of course, it was a real source of encouragement to hear that you thought we had done our job well. This, I can assure you, has been our goal for years and I trust that we may continue to merit your approbation.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

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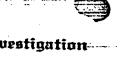
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Tederal Bureau of Investigation

United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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May 6, 1940

#### MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Eddie Cantor in his broadcast from Skelly's Stadium, University of Tules on Sunday evening, May 5th, over WMAL after referring to his friendship with Will Rogers and the obligations of citizenship, quoted the Director to the effect that if we used our heads today, we will not have to use our battleships, etc. tomorrow. Mr. Cantor then pointed out that the Director speaks from experience because he has been confronted with the job of meeting with the enemies from within and "he has done that job well." This statement was followed, as you will recall, by considerable applause. Mr. Cantor then went on to say if we used our heads we can make America what it should be.

A note is attached to Mr. Cantor.

Respectfully,

L. B. Nichols

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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Transmit the following message to:

PLEASE DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE INVEDIATELY, TO:

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Hr. Eddie Cantor 1012 Horth Roxbury Drive Beverly Hille, California

DEAR EDDIES I APPRECIATED YOUR WIRE OF THE BIGHTH. THERE IS NO QUESTION BUT THAT OHE OF THE GREAT DOMESTIC PROBLEMS TODAY IS THE SHOCKING INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF YOUTHFUL OFFENDERS. THE FIRST SIX HONTHS OF THIS YEAR WITHESSED A RIGHT WINE POINT FIVE PER CENT INCREASE IN THE Arrest and fingerprinting of cirls under twenty-one years of age for OFFENSES AGAINST COMMON DECENCY. SUCH OFFENSES INCLUDE DRUNKENNESS, VAGRANCY, DISORDERLY COMDUCT, PROSTITUTION, AND COMMERCIALIZED VICE. THE ARRESTS AND FINGERPRINTING OF GIRLS UNDER TWENTY-ONE INCREASED THIRTY PER CENT FOR CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF SUCH CRIVES ARE ROBBERY, BURGLARY, THEFT, LARCENY AND related oppenses. Arrests op boys and girls. Age seventeen. Increased SEVENTEEN POINT SEVEN PERCENT, AND FOR ALL AGES, UNDER EIGHTEEN, ARRESTS MOT CHOIS AND GIRLS INCREASED THIRTEEN POINT SIX PERCENT. THESE FIGURES AGGRAVATED BY THE FACT THAT THOUSANDS OF BOYS AGED EIGHTEEN ARE IN RHT AND IN SOME INSTANCES BOIS UNDER EIGHTEEN ARE PRODUCTIVELY EUPL<del>UTED WHI</del>CH WOULD NOT BE THE CASE IN OTHER YEARS. MORE PERSONS AGED etgatern were arrested in the first six months this year, as was the MCASE IN HINSTEEN FORTI-TWO, THAN IN ANY OTHER AGE GROUP. THEY WERE MFORDOWND BY THE SEVENTERS AND NINETERN YEAR OLDS. OUR YOUTH IS BLAMED PARTING THE SECTION OF THE SECTION THE REAL FAULT LIES ON THE SHOULDERS OF THE ONS HAVE BROUGHT ON DISLOCATIONS AND INCREASED. vadugtoj<u>tab</u>ti

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I THINK IT IS VERY COMMENDABLE THAT YOU WANTED TO MENTION THIS SITUATION.
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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER DIRECTOR FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTI-GATION

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER

FBI

YOUR TALK YESTERDAY ON XUVENILE DELINQUENCY ON RCA HOUR .MOST INSPIRING. I WOULD LIKE TO DEVOTE A PORTION OF MY PROGRAM WEDNESDAY TO THE PROBLEM AS YOU OUTLINED IT. WOULD YOU HAVE YOUR OFFICE AIR MAIL IMMEDIATELY ANY DATA ON THE

SUBJECT WHICH I MAY USE. GRATEFULLY YOURS

EDDIE CANTOR

1012 NORTH ROXBURY DRIVES

BEVERLYHILLS

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1pril 29, 1944

Ur. Eddie Cantor Valdorf Astoria Hotel New Tork, New York

My dear Eddies

I am returning herewith the letter addressed to you under date of April 7, 1944, by Wr. Fred B. Levins of Superior, Fisconsin, together with the newspaper clipping accompanying Mr. Levine! letter and the carbon copy of your answer to bre Levina communications Immediately after you furnished this correspondence to me, I checked into the matter within the Department of Justice to determine whether there was any may in which the statement charging you with equipping your automobile to use unrationed butane gas might be retracted or alleviated. I have determined through my Los Angeles office that Er. James T.
Earrington, Chief of the Far Frauds Unit of the Department
of Justice, did not give out the press dispatch setting forth the names of the persons, including yourself, who were supposed to have this equipment. Hr. John Handy of the Far Production Board in Los Angeles advised several of the persons named in the dispatch, after the story had appeared in the papers, that if they would bring their automobiles to the for Production Board in Los Angeles for inspection, in order that it might be determined they did not have and neve had butane attachments on them, the War Production Board would then issue a public retraction. I have not been able to determine whether anyone has as yet taken his automobile to the far Production Board for examination, but I would suggest that if you have an automobile in the Los\_Angeles area, you give consideration to taking this step, since, I am advised as I have indicated, that the Far Production Board will then issue a statement retracting the previous

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Zonker and consequently I am not in possession of any additional information concerning this phase of the matter.

hope that you will not hesitate to call upon me.

Sincerely,



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mobiles to permit use of unrationed butane gas instead of gasoline as fuel, Lawrence W. Zonker was named yesterday in a 10-count federal criminal information charging violation of War Production board regulations.

James T. Harrington, chief of the war frauds unit of the department of justice here, said Zonkers sold the equipment for as high as \$1,000 per automobile to more than 40 motion picture actors and other wealthy Los Angeles citizens.

These included, Harrington said, Gary Cooper Bob Hope, Eddie Cantor, L. B. Mayer; Producer William Goetz, Barbara Hutton, Carey Grant, and Director Henry Hathaway.

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April 7, 1944

Dear Mr. Cantor:

The attached from the Duluth News Tribune of April 6, 1944.

Having in mind all the needed and apparent sincere war appeals made by you during your weekly radio program, I can hardly believe it.

Yours very truly,

(signed) Fred R. Lewis
Father of Two Naval Aviators
1403 No. 19th Street
Superior, Wisconsin

Mr. Eddie Cantor
Los Angeles, Calif.

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MV	dear			:

I am deeply grateful for your thoughtfulness in writing me. Most people condemn and criticize before actually checking on the facts. For your information, and for the others who were equally amazed and astounded, let me tell you that I never met Mr. Zonker - do not own any special equipment in my automobile to use Butane gas and have never been connected in this matter in any way, shape or form.

Before I left Los Angeles, I was assured by James T. Harrington, Chief of the War Frauds Unit of the Dept. of Justice, that a statement of regret would be issued shortly.

I hope it comes soon so that friendly people such as you can be reassured of my good faith in all matters that pertain to the welfare of our nation.

Sincerely,

Eddie Cantor

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# Office Memorandum - Unfiled States Government

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Eddie Canter telephened and was referred to me. In connection with his Vednesday evening Ipana Teethpasts program; he is planning starting on Vednesday of this week, an essay contest to last few weeks for high school students. He states that he personally is planning to give war bonds for the best essays and awards to the high schools repressented by the students who write the best essays on the subject (Juvenile Delinquency, Its Causes and Its Solutions He states that he has been in contact with Nicholas Marray butler, of Columbia University, and with President Spreul, of USLA, and he would like you as the third judge to ga svery the essays and select those which are deserving of awards. He states that he will have a California committee go over the essays and pick out the 25 best essays for final consideration by the judges.

I teld Mr. Canter that you are tremendensly interested in juvenile delinquency and I felt that you would want to help him in his plan. I teld him that I would present the matter to you and you would be in touch with him by telegram very soon.

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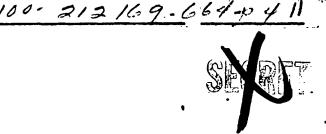
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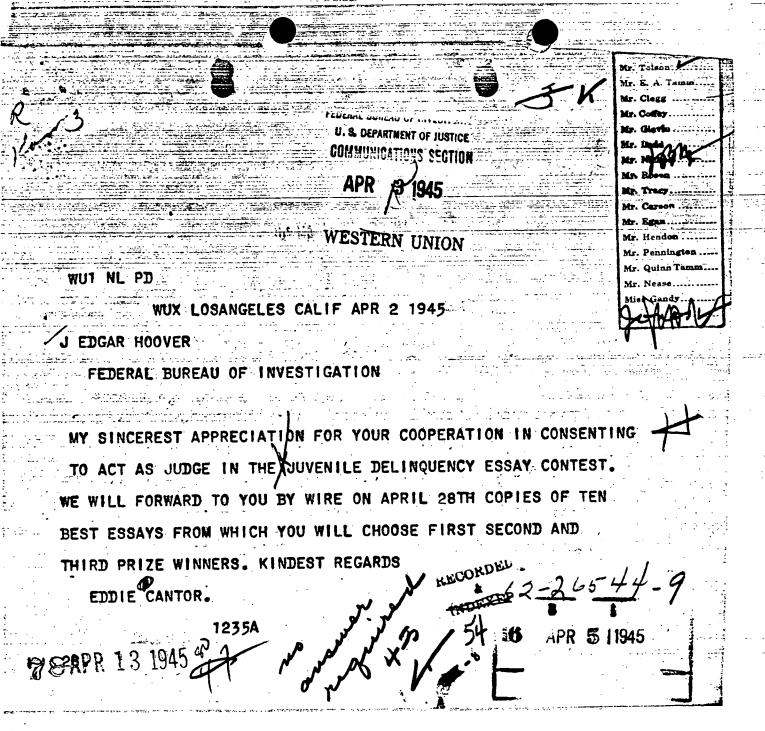
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Ur. Eddie Cantor 1018 North Rozbury Drive Beverly Hills, California

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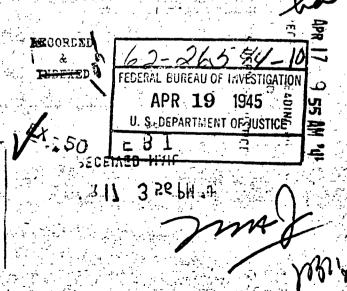
I thought you would be interested in the enclosed letter and juvenile delinquency essay received from Miss Ruby Tatum of Elizabeth-town, Forth Carolina. Receipt of this manuscript has been acknowledged to Miss Tatum and I have told her that it was being forwarded to you.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Enclosure

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April 10, 1945

Miss Ruby Tatum

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Elizabethtown, Forth Carolins

Dear Mies Tatums

I wish to thank you for your letter of April 10, 1945, enclosing your essay on jubehile delinquency. It has been read with interest but I am not in a position to comment upon it at this time. The manuscript is being forwarded to Mr. Eddie Canter, sponsor of the contest, so that all of the judges will have an opportunity to read it.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Roover

John Edgar Hoover Director

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WE ARE MAILING TO YOU TONIGHT THE JUVENILE DELINQUENCY ESSAYS OF THE TEN FINALISTS WHOSE COMPOSITIONS HAVE BEEN SELECTED FROM THE THOUSANDS SUBMITTED BY OUR PRELIMINARY STAFF. THE ESSAYS AS YOU RECEIVE THEM WILL NOT BEAR THE NAMES OF THEIR AUTHORS BUT EACH WILL HAVE A KEY LETTER IN THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER. WE ASK YOU TO SELECT FROM THIS GROUP A FIRST PRIZE WINNER, A SECOND AND THIRD. IT WILL NOT BE NECESSARY FOR YOU TO RETURN THESE ESSAYS BUT MERELY TO TELEGRAPH ME, AS SOON AS ABSOLUTELY POSSIBLE YOUR SELECTIONS IN THIS MANNER: SHOULD YOU SELECT ESSAY "B" AS FIRST WINNER, ESSAY "D" AS SECOND WINNER AND ESSAY "F" AS THIRD WINNER, MERELY CONVEY THOSE SELECTIONS TO US BY WIRING ME COLLECT: B -- 1, D -- 2, F -- 3. SIMILAR COPIES ARE IN THE HANDS OF OUR OTHER JUDGES. SINCE WE ARE TO MAKE THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE WINNERS WEDNESDAY MAY 2ND IT IS MOST IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE YOUR SELECTIONS NOT LATER THAN TUESDAY MORNING MAY FIRST. WE KNOW THAT THIS WILL CROWD YOU A BIT BUT THE SELECTION OF THE FINALISTS WAS A TREMENDOUS TASK AND WE DID NOT WANT TO CLOSE THE CONTEST BEFORE EVERY OPPORTUNITY HAD BEEN GIVEN TO THE WRITER TO GET HIS ESSAY TO US. SINCEREST THANKS FOR YOUR GRAND COOPERATION MAY 2 1945 EDDIE CANTOR 1012 N ROXBURY DR BEVERLY HILLS CALTE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. Transmit the following message to: APRIL 26, 1945 1:26544-12 ME. MODIE CANTOR 1012 NORTH ROXBURY DRIVE BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA

ESSAIS WERE SPLENDID. MY PERSONAL CHOIGE: A -1, I -2, D -3. PLEASE GIVE MY PERSONAL CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR, PEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

APR 30 1945

INITIALED IN DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Dear Sirs:

I am a High School girl, 16 years old.

I am submitting my ideas on the subject of Juvenile Delinquence,

to your contest.

My Mother is deeply interested in this particular subject, as she has had expierences with children who have needed a friend and turned to her, rather than to their own parents.

Therefore my ideas are based on facts I've learned from her experiences and from my associations with children who have expressed the great desire that their Parents were as understanding as mine, and that they could talk to their Parents as I can.

I feel sorry for these children, it is sympathetic and something should be done about it.

I do not know the address to which the contest themes were to be sent, so I'm sending mine to MrJ.Edgar. Hoover, of the F.B.I. as I was told he was to be one of the Judges.

Hopeing my theme will be of interest to you;

I am, Yours very truly

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Sweetwater, Texas

Dear Hiss Oldhams

I wish to acknowledge your letter postmarked April 23, 1945, enclosing a copy of the essay which you prepared on the subject of juvenile delinquency. This manuscript reached me after the contest sponsored by Yr. Eddie Cantor had been concluded and I am returning it to you.

Tour interest in this problem is very much appreciated by me and I am sending some material which it is believed you may care to read.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover Director

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DEAR EDGAR: WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN JUDGING JUVENILE DELINQUENCY ESSAY CONTEST. IN TRIBUTE TO YOU AM DOING A BROADCAST REVOLVING AROUND TO YOUR HAVING MADE ME AN HONORARY G-MAN. DONT GET FRIGHTENED. THIS IS ALL IN A DREAM BECAUSE A GUY WHO'S AFRAID OF LDA CERTAINLY DOESN'T BELONG IN THE FBI. WARMEST REGARDS

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FROM: R. C. HENDON

SUBJECT: EDDIE CANTOR BROADCAST

DATE: 5/11/45

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> Glavin Ladd Nichols Rosen Tracy Carson

As a matter of record, the Young and Rubicam Agency Mr. Henon handling the Eddie Cantor script contacted Mr. Ellsworth of our Tele Room Los Angeles Office on May 9, 1945 and advised that they were working on the script for the broadcast that evening which dealt with the work of the Bureau. Mr. Ellsworth stated that he understood the script would be built around the Director having sent Eddie Cantor a Special Agent badge and made him an honorary G-Man.

Pursuant to my instructions, Mr. Ellsworth advised them that this was objectionable inasmuch as we had numerous requests for honorary badges which policy and the law would not permit. It was pointed out that should such a reference be made on Cantor's broadcast we would possibly receive many more requests and individuals who were assisting us from day to day would misconstrue and misunderstand such references and would not be able to figure out why they too did not receive honorary badges. Wr. Ellsworth was also instructed to obtain a copy of the script so that we could make any other necessary suggestions. He was not able to get the script until approximately three hours before the broadcast started. He telephoned it in and suggestions were made just before 7:00 p.m. for certain changes to eliminate references to our having furnished Cantor a badge, to eliminate references to our handling black market mafters, a reference to the use of third degree and similar objectionable passages. It was understood that Young and Rubicam were very receptive to these suggestions and necessary changes were made so that the broadcast was finally satisfactory.

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CONVERSATION BETWEEN UR. McGUIRE AND ASSISTANT
SAC ELLSWORTH OF LOS ANGELES ON MAY 9. 1945

E. It's the Sal Hapatica commercial program, and there's the opening music and so forth. Then Vonsell says:

"Ladies and gentlemen we turn the clock back to last night, and we find our hero, Eddie Cantor, at his home in lounging robe and pajamas, having retired to his quarters and having counted his quarters he is preparing to go to bed."

Then the whole program deals with his about to become a G-man, or the fact that he might become a G-man, and a dream of his that he goes out and breaks up a black market ring. He awakens at the end of the thing by someone plusty his badge into the seat of his nightshirt. That's the general type of the program. It deals with the FBI and his being a detective.

Maurice: Mr. Cantor, isn't it past your bed time?

J. Edgar Hoover sending me a badas. First thing you know, he'll be making me a G-man. Isn't that exciting!

I do think it's exciting, Mr. Cantor, but how long do I have

to be strapped in this chair with that sun lamp shining in my face?

when I may have to third degree someone. At least you could be a good sport about it.

I don't mind being a good sport, Mr. Cantor, the how many times are you going to keep asking me what did I do with Hitler's body?

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- C. Oh, all right. And you're free now. Will you get me a glass of warm milk before I go to bed please?
- But you've had five glasses of milk already.
- C. I don't care. I've got something to celebrate-tonight I'm going to get homoginized.
- V. Very good, sir.

The door opens and closes.

entitle me to more gasoline? but when for front Seaths,

C. Hello, Harry.

Door opens

V. Hello, Eddie. I got your message to come right over. What's

up?

C. What's up? Look at this badger My pal, J. Edgar Hoover, might make me a G-man someday. And not only that, I had lunch with him yesterday and he let me fool around with his handcuffs.

(Embarrassed) You should have seen me. Before I knew it I had myself handcuffed to the leg of the table.

- Y. You handcuffed youself to the leg of the table? That was pretty dumb.
- C. I'll say it was dumb. When Mr. Hoover had to pick up the check I felt terrible.
- V. I can imagine. When it comes to handing out money, you've always been handcuffed.
- C. Harry, what do you mean by that remark?

  Here there are several pages of incident.

BEGinning on page 5 of the script.

the reason I wanted you to hurry over is that I wanted you to read this letter I got from J. Edgar Hoover.

L. Oh, holy smokes! Do you mean to read this letter, I put

down Forever Amber?

C. Leonard, you were reading Forever Amber?

L. Sure. I've read it twice already.

V. You mean to say you're reading Forever Amber for the third

time?

C. You must like that book.

L. I sure do. What's it about, Mr. Cantor?

C. What's it about, Leonard?

L. Yeah.

C. Well, have you ever read Tom Fryork

L. No.

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C. Fine. You lend me your copy of Forever Amber and I'll lend you Tom Pryord

L. Well. I don't know. What's it about?

C. It's about a little barefoot boy.

L. Barefoot? That's risque. I'll just stick to Forever Amber.

C. All right, Leonard. Buty, say, what would you think if J.

## Edgar Hoover made me a G-man?

L. Oh boy! A G-man. Say, Mr. Cantor, I could be your assistant.

## My uncle is with the FBI.

C. Your uncle with the FBI.

Yeah. They picked him up in Kerico.

- Oh, forget your uncle. What's makes you think you could be a detective?
- L. Well, when I go to see a mystery picture all's I have to do is watch five minutes of it and I can tell you which one is the murderer.
- How are you able to do that?
- I come in at the end of the picture. Baby cries out.
- What's that? c.
- Ly kid. I left him in in the next room when I came over. 7.
- Well, let's go get him. It was Eddie Cantor Vonsell, Jr. that I wanted to show the badge to.

Door opens

- Hello, there, little fellow. Look at the badge your Uncle Eddie's got. What do you think of that? Your Uncle Eddie a G-Man. Baby Gurgle.
- V. He's trying to talk. Since he's been listening to the radio he talks much better.

Transunger Oog oog Baby.

- Isn't that wonderful? V.
- Wonderful? What's wiresymmetry oog oog? C.
- 7. That's googoo spelled backwards.
- That's perfectly natural. He has a backward father. Look, C.he's trying to reach for my badge. I wonder what he's thinking about. Googoo. Popeye says he's a G-man. How bould he ever get his Baby. man. He's been married 31 years and he can't even get his boy showed me his come badge, he was so proud,

far it almost touched his shirt. Some physique. At his age, a detective.

He sure will look funny speeding down the street with a siren on his wheelchair. Still, if I were a criminal I would hate to have popeye looking for my hideout. Gosh, he could stand on a corner and send his eyes around the block.

this record Freddie Martel made.

the baby home, and besides I want to write J. Edgar Hoover and see if

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I can get am FBI badge.

- C. Harry, what makes you think he'd give you an FBI badge.
- V. Well, after all I've helped G-men all over the country.
- C. Harry, what kind of G-men have you helped?
- The kind of men that wake up in the morning in need of a larative and say, 'Gee I feel headachy. Gee, I feel dull. Gee, I wish I didn't have to get up.'
- C. Oh. And I suppose you help them by telling them if they want to feel better faster they should take a glass of sparkling Sal Hamtica.
- V. That's right.
- C. How do you like that? I just become an FBI man today and clue from that little wird you gave I figured out what it was. Aren't I smart?

THEN THEY GO INTO A CONVERCIAL FOR SEVERAL PAGES. BEGINNING ON PAGE THIRTEEN IT SAYS:

Maurice. Mr. Cantor, everyone has gone home. Do you think you ought to try to get some sleep?

- C. I'll try, Maurice, but I'm so excited about my badge.
- M. Before you retire sir, let's have a go at those wrinkles.